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FOR EMBASSY CAPETOWN

VALLETTA FOR AMBASSADOR YOUNG

LONDON FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY MOOSE

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PORG, SF, WAS

SUBJ: NAMIBIA: TALKING POINTS FOR USE WITH ANGOLAN PRESIDENT NETO

REF: USUN 319

1. ALL FIVE GOVERNMENTS HAVE NOW AGREED THAT WESTERN FIVE DELEGATION FOR APPROACH TO ANGOLAN PRESIDENT NETO SHOULD CONSIST OF: AMBASSADOR DONALD EASUM, ONE OTHER AMBASSADOR FROM LAGOS AND THE FRENCH CHARGE IN LUANDA. (FRENCH AMBASSADOR THABAULT WILL NOT BE ABLE TO MAKE THE TRIP.) FRENCH GOVERNMENT WILL SEE THAT UNOFFICIAL FRENCH TRANSLATION OF WESTERN FIVE PROPOSAL IS IN HANDS OF ITS EMBASSY IN LUSANDA BY FEBRUARY 3.

2. FOLLOWING ARE ORAL TALKING POINTS, FOR USE WITH PRESI-  
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DENT NETO, AGREED TO BY CONTACT GROUP FEBRUARY 1 AD  
REFERENDUM:

QUOTE:

1) OUR FIVE GOVERNMENTS HAVE NOW PROVIDED SOUTH AFRICA AND SWAPO WITH COPIES OF OUR PROPOSALS FOR A SETTLEMENT OF THE

NAMIBIAN QUESTION CONSISTENT WITH SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 385. WE HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO GIVE YOU A COPY OF OUR PROPOSALS, WHICH WE HAVE PRESENTED TO SWAPO AND SOUTH AFRICA EXPLAINING THAT THEY ARE TO BE REGARDED AS A BASIS FOR DISCUSSION AT THE MEETINGS WITH FOREIGN MINISTERS ON 11-12 FEBRUARY IN NEW YORK. OUR FIVE GOVERNMENTS BELIEVE THAT THESE PROPOSALS REPRESENT A FAIR AND REASONABLE BASIS FOR A SETTLEMENT, CONSISTENT WITH RESOLUTION 385. WE HOPE THAT YOU WILL AGREE WITH US ONCE YOU HAVE HAD TIME TO STUDY THE PROPOSALS.

2) THE NEW YORK ROUND OF TALKS PROVIDE A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY OF ACHIEVING PEACEFUL INDEPENDENCE FOR NAMIBIA THROUGH AN INTERNATIONALLY ACCEPTABLE SETTLEMENT. OUR GOVERNMENTS EXPRESS THE HOPE THAT YOU WILL FEEL ABLE TO URGE SWAPO TO CONSIDER SERIOUSLY THE ADVANTAGES OF A NEGOTIATED AND INTERNATIONAL ACCEPTABLE SETTLEMENT. WE, FOR OUR PART, WILL CONTINUE TO URGE UPON SOUTH AFRICA THE IMPORTANCE OF AN INTERNATIONALLY ACCEPTABLE SETTLEMENT.

3) WE SHALL BE KEEPING YOUR REPRESENTATIVES IN NEW YORK INFORMED OF THE PROGRESS OF THE TALKS. WE WOULD NATURALLY BE MOST GRATEFUL FOR ANY ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT WHICH YOU FEEL ABLE TO OFFER DURING THIS CRITICAL PERIOD.

4) WHEN REPRESENTATIVES OF OUR GOVERNMENTS SPOKE WITH YOUR REPRESENTATIVES HERE IN LUANDA LAST NOVEMBER, THEY RAISED THE POSSIBILITY THAT IT MIGHT FACILITATE A SETTLEMENT OF THE NAMIBIAN QUESTION IF ARRANGEMENTS WERE MADE FOR U.N. MONITORING ON BOTH SIDES OF THE BORDER. PRIME CONFIDENTIAL

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MINISTER DO NASCIMENTO REPLIED THAT YOUR GOVERNMENT COULD GIVE NO REACTION AT THAT TIME AND WOULD HAVE TO DISCUSS THE MATTER. IN DEVELOPING THE PROPOSAL, WHICH WE HAVE NOW GIVEN YOU, WE HAVE BECOME CONVINCED THAT SUCH MONITORING WOULD INDEED FACILITATE AN INTERNATIONALLY ACCEPTABLE SOLUTION. WE ARE, THEREFORE, ANXIOUS TO LEARN YOUR VIEWS REGARDING THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH MONITORING WITHIN YOUR BORDERS.

5) DURING THAT SAME MEETING IN NOVEMBER, PRIME MINISTER DO NASCIMENTO REFERRED TO THE POSSIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING A BUFFER ZONE ALONG THE BORDER -- A ZONE FROM WHICH ALL ARMED FORCES WOULD BE WITHDRAWN AND WHERE THERE WOULD BE APPROPRIATE U.N. MONITORING. WHILE OUR PROPOSAL DOES CALL FOR A PULL-BACK OF ALL SOUTH AFRICAN MILITARY FORCES FROM THE NAMIBIAN SIDE OF THE BORDER, IT DOES NOT SPECIFICALLY CALL FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A BUFFER ZONE. IT DOES, HOWEVER, REQUEST NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES AND THE U.N. SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE TO FACILITATE SUCH MEASURES AS MAY BE DESIRABLE FOR ENSURING TRANQUILITY IN THE BORDER AREAS. WE WOULD LIKE YOU TO CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY THAT YOUR GOVERNMENT AND THE U.N. SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE MIGHT MEET, AT AN EARLY DATE AFTER HIS APPOINTMENT, TO DISCUSS THE MATTER.

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